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NUMBER OF LICENSEES:

Architects

In-state 371
Out-of-state 839
TOTAL 1210

Landscape Architects

In-state 44 Out-of-state 49 TOTAL 93

NEW BOARD % OF LICENSEES COVERED

Total Number of Licensees

1303

Architects % Number of Total Licensees

1210/1303 = 93%

Landscape Architects % Number of Total Licensees

93/1303 = 7%

If we assume a 5-member board is used rather than a 6 member board the make in proportion to the number of licensees would be:

Architects $5 \times .93 =$

4.65 members

Landscape Architects $5 \times .07 = .35$ members

The proposed Board make up would be 3 architects, 1 landscape architect, and 1 public member for a total of five members. Of course the cost for 5 members would be less than for 6 members.

CURRENT REQUESTED BUDGETS

	2008	2009
Architects	\$86,742	\$84,348
Landscape Architects	\$40,600	\$40,200

The license fee for each profession based on the budget requests prior to combing the Boards would be as follows:

Architects \$86,742/1210 licensees = \$72/licensee Landscape Architects \$40,600/93 = \$437/licensee

It is important to keep the costs as low as possible so that the landscape architects can pay for their share of the Board's budget.